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AMENDMENT

In the Claims:

Claim 1 is cancelled without prejudice, disclaimer, or admission.

Please add the following new claims:

A method for screening for a bioactive agent capable of binding to the cell cycle protein R0101, comprising:

- a) combining said cell cycle protein R0101 and a candidate bigactive agent; and
- b) determining the binding of said candidate agent to said cell cycle protein R0101; wherein said cell cycle protein R0101 comprises an amino acid sequence having at least about 95% identity to the amino acid sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO:2 and wherein said cell cycle protein R0101 will bind to proliferating cell nuclear antigen (PCNA).

M. A method for screening for a bioactive agent capable of binding to the cell cycle protein R0101, comprising:

- a) combining said cell cycle protein R0101 and a candidate bioactive agent; and
- b) determining the binding of said candidate agent to said cell cycle protein R0101; wherein said cell cycle protein R0101 comprises the amino acid sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO:2 and wherein said cell cycle protein R0101 will bind to PCNA.

A method according to claim 10 or 11, wherein a library of candidate bioactive agents is added to a plurality of cells comprising a recombinant nucleic acid encoding said R0101 protein.

// 13. A method according to claim 10 or 11, further comprising:

a) combining a proliferating cell nuclear antigen (PCNA) protein with said R0101 protein and said candidate bioactive agent; and